

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A data storage system comprising:
 - an original channel unit coupled to an original host;
 - an original disk control unit coupled to said original channel unit for controlling writing process of data received from said original host;
 - an original disk unit coupled to said original disk control unit for storing data according to control of said original disk control unit;
 - a sub-channel unit coupled to a sub-host;
 - a sub-disk control unit coupled to said sub-channel unit and said original disk control unit for controlling writing process of data received from said sub-host and said original disk control unit;
 - a sub-disk unit coupled to said sub-disk control unit for storing data according to control of said sub-disk control unit;
 - wherein said original disk control unit realizes data ~~multiplexing~~ duplexing of original disk unit and sub-disk unit by sending written data received from said original host to said sub-disk control unit,
 - and wherein said original disk control unit sends ~~a part of written data included in~~ a plurality of written data received from said original host during certain period to said sub-disk control unit, and does not send ~~other~~ written data included in a plurality of written data received from said original host during a other certain period to said sub-disk control unit.
2. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit is written data without being rewritten to said sub-disk control unit.

3. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 2, further comprising:
an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,
wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said certain period in order to ensure consistency of data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit.
4. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 2,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host,
and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.
5. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 2,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit, and wherein said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit use said state management table.
6. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 1,
wherein said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, would be rewritten data to said sub-disk control unit if said ~~other~~ written data were sent to said sub-disk control unit.

7. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 6, further comprising:

an interface cable ~~with~~ which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

wherein data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit is ensured consistency with said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, and is not sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said other certain period.

8. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 6, wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers an access information ~~management~~ received from said original host,

and wherein said original disk unit manages said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

9. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 6, wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit,

and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.

10. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~a~~ part of written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit is written data without being rewritten to said sub-disk unit.

11. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 10, further comprising:
an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,
wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said certain period in order to ensure consistency of data ~~in said original disk control unit and said sub disk control unit.~~
12. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 10,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said ~~a~~ plurality of data received from said original host,
and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.
13. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 10,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and sub-disk control unit,
and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.
14. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 1,
wherein said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, would be rewritten data to said sub-disk unit if said other written data were sent to said sub-disk control unit.

15. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 14, further comprising:

an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through a said interface cable after said certain period in order to ensure consistency of data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit.

16. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 14, wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host,

and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

17. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 14, wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit, and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.

18. (Currently Amended) A data storage system comprising:
an original disk control unit for controlling writing process of data received from a host;

an original disk unit coupled to said original disk control unit for storing data according to control of said original disk control unit;

a sub-disk control unit coupled to said sub-channel unit and said original disk control unit for controlling writing process of data received from said sub-host and said original disk control unit; and

a sub-disk unit coupled to said sub-disk control unit for storing data according to control of said sub-disk control unit;

wherein said original disk control unit realizes data ~~multiplexing~~ duplexing of said original disk unit and sub-disk unit by sending written data received from said host to said sub-disk control unit; and

wherein said original disk control unit sends ~~a part of written data included in a~~ plurality of written data received from said original host during a certain period to said sub-disk control unit, and does not send ~~other~~ written data included in a plurality of written data received from said host during a other certain period to said sub-disk control unit.

19. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 18, wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit is written data without being rewritten to said sub-disk control unit.

20. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 19, further comprising:

an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit, through said interface cable

after said certain period in order to ensure consistency of data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit.

21. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 19, wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host, and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

22. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 19, wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit, and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.

23. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 18, wherein said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, would be rewritten data to said sub-disk control unit if said other written data were sent to said sub-disk control unit.

24. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 23, further comprising:
an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

wherein data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit is ensured consistency with said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, and is not sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said certain period.

25. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 23, wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table that registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host,

and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

26. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 23, wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit, and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.

27. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 18, wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit is written data without being rewritten to said sub-disk unit.

28. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 27, further comprising:
an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

wherein said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said certain period in order to ensure consistency of data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit.

29. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 27,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host,
and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

30. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 27,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit,
and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.

31. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 18,
wherein said ~~other~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, would be rewritten data to said sub-disk unit if said ~~other~~ written data were sent to said sub-disk control unit.

32. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 31, further comprising:

an interface cable which connects said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit,

~~wherein said a part of written data which is sent to said sub-disk control unit, is sent from said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after certain period in order to ensure consistency of data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit~~

wherein data in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit is ensured consistency with said written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit, and is not sent form said original disk control unit to said sub-disk control unit through said interface cable after said certain period.

33. (Currently Amended) A data storage system according to claim 31,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises an access information management table which registers access places of said plurality of data received from said original host,
and wherein said original disk control unit manages said ~~a part of~~ written data which is not sent to said sub-disk control unit by using said access management table.

34. (Original) A data storage system according to claim 31,
wherein said original disk control unit comprises a state management table which manages a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit,
and wherein said original disk control unit can acquire a data state in said original disk control unit and said sub-disk control unit by using said state management table.